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May 4, 2015

DECISION NOTICE

TO: Environmental Quality Council*
Director's Office, Dept. of Environmental Quality*
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks*
 Director's Office
 Parks Division
 Fisheries Division
 Wildlife Division
 Lands Section
 Design & Construction
 Legal Unit
 Regional Supervisors
Tim Baker, Governor's Office*
Judy Beck, Press Agent, Governor's Office*
Montana Historical Society, State Preservation Office*
Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Council*
Montana Wildlife Federation*
Montana State Library*
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Montana Environmental Information Center*
Wayne Hirst, Montana State Parks Foundation*
FWP Commissioner Matt Tourtlotte*
Montana Parks Association/Our Montana (land acquisition projects)
Matt Wolcott, DNRC Area Manager, Southern Land Office*
Sweet Grass County Commissioners*
Other Local Interested People or Groups
* (Sent electronically)

Ladies and Gentleman:

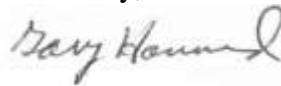
A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared outlining proposed construction and improvements at Cliff Swallow Access Site on the Stillwater River 9 miles west of Absarokee, Montana in Stillwater County, Section 4, Township 4 South, Range 17 East.

Proposed work include development of a designated parking area and singlewide gravel boat ramp, installing a concrete vault latrine, barrier rocks, and directional and informational signs, and maintenance of the access road.

The draft EA was circulated for public comment from March 19 to April 20, 2015 to interested agencies, groups and persons. The EA was also posted on the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) website. Only one comment was received during this period and it was an email strongly supporting the proposed improvements at Cliff Swallow FAS.

After reviewing the proposal and the corresponding comment, it is my decision to recommend approval of the planned construction and improvements at Cliff Swallow FAS. If you have any questions regarding this decision notice, you may email me at ghammond@mt.gov, or call me at 247-2951.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gary Hammond", written in a cursive style.

Gary Hammond
Regional Supervisor